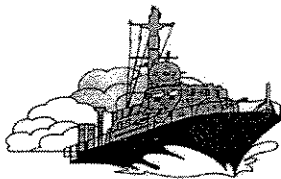




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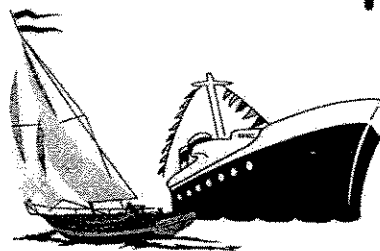


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NOTICE TO NAVIGATION INTERESTS



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24 March 2006

POST HURRICANE WILMA DEBRIS REMOVAL

ALONG OKEECHOBEE WATERWAY ROUTE #2

OKEECHOBEE WATERWAY, FLORIDA

1. Mariners are hereby notified that the Okeechobee Waterway (OWW) Route #2 remains closed until further notice, from Clewiston (S-310) to Port Mayaca (S-308) due to debris from Hurricane Wilma. Mariners should be aware:

a. RV's, boats, and other debris are potentially submerged in the OWW from Torry/Kreamer Island Bridge to South Bay Boat Ramp.

b. Vegetation is blocking the canal from South Bay Boat Ramp to Rardin Park.

c. Potential floating hazards such as Melaleuca or pond apple trees are floating in the OWW.

d. The Torry Island Bridge is not being 'manned' because the OWW Route #2 is not open to navigation interests.

2. The US Army Corps of Engineers is beginning work to remove debris and obstructions from OWW in this area. Route #2 of the OWW will re-open once the USACE has completed the clean up effort.

3. Any vessel or RV that is determined salvageable may be claimed by its owner with proper identification and returned to him or her upon reconciliation of salvage expense. Any vessel or RV determined Non-Salvageable will be disposed of as trash.

4. For additional information regarding these issues and others may be obtained by visiting the website at www.saj.usace.army.mil and select WATER MANAGEMENT then select NAVIGATION BULLETINS AND LOCK CLOSURE INFORMATION or by contacting the US Army Corps of Engineers South Florida Operations Office, at (863)983-8101 or Earl Wagner, Jacksonville District, (904)232-3974.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. A. Bugg". The signature is stylized with a large, looped initial "R" and a cursive "Bugg".

ROBERT A. BUGG, P.E.
Chief, Construction-
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